

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES FORM APPROVED
CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES OMB NO. 0938-0679
CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL NECESSITY DMERC 02.03B

MANUAL WHEELCHAIRS

SECTION A Certification Type/Date: INITIAL ____/____/____ REVISED ____/____/____

PATIENT NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE and HIC NUMBER

(__ __ __) __ __ __ - __ __ __ __ HICN _____

SUPPLIER NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE and NSC NUMBER

(__ __ __) __ __ __ - __ __ __ __ NSC # _____

PLACE OF SERVICE

NAME and ADDRESS of FACILITY if applicable (See
Reverse)

HCPCS CODES: PT DOB ____/____/____; Sex ____ (M/F) ; HT.____(in.) ;

WT.____(lbs.)

PHYSICIAN NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE and UPIN NUMBER

(__ __ __) __ __ __ - __ __ __ __ UPIN # _____

SECTION B Information in This Section May Not Be Completed by the Supplier of
the Items/Supplies.

EST. LENGTH OF NEED (# OF MONTHS): _____ 1-99 (99=LIFETIME) DIAGNOSIS CODES
(ICD-9):

ITEM ADDRESSED ANSWERS ANSWER QUESTIONS 1, 5, 8 AND 9 FOR MANUAL WHEELCHAIR
BASE, 1-5 FOR WHEELCHAIR

OPTIONS/ACCESSORIES.

(Circle Y for Yes, N for No, or D for Does Not Apply, unless otherwise noted.)

Manual Whlchr Base And

All Accessories

Y N D 1. Does the patient require and use a wheelchair to move around in their
residence?

Reclining Back Y N D 2. Does the patient have quadriplegia, a fixed hip angle, a
trunk cast or brace, excessive extensor tone of the trunk muscles or a need to
rest in a recumbent position two or more times during the day?

Elevating Legrest Y N D 3. Does the patient have a cast, brace or
musculoskeletal condition, which prevents 90 degree flexion of the knee, or does
the patient have significant edema of the lower extremities that requires
an elevating legrest, or is a reclining back ordered?

Adjustable Height Armrest Y N D 4. Does the patient have a need for arm height
different than that available using non-adjustable arms?

Reclining Back;

Adjustable Ht. Armrest;

Any Type Ltwt. Whlchr

5. How many hours per day does the patient usually spend in the wheelchair? (1-
24) (Round up to the next hour)

Any Type Ltwt. Whlchr Y N D 8. Is the patient able to adequately self-propel
(without being pushed) in a standard weight manual wheelchair?

Any Type Ltwt. Whlchr Y N D 9. If the answer to question #8 is "No," would the
patient be able to adequately self-propel (without being pushed) in the
wheelchair which has been ordered?

NAME OF PERSON ANSWERING SECTION B QUESTIONS, IF OTHER THAN PHYSICIAN (Please
Print):

NAME: TITLE: EMPLOYER:

SECTION C Narrative Description of Equipment and Cost

(1) Narrative description of all items, accessories and options ordered; (2)
Supplier's charge; and (3) Medicare Fee Schedule

Allowance for each item, accessory, and option. (See instructions on back.) If
additional space is needed, list wheelchair base

and most costly options/accessories on this page and continue on CMS 854.

r• CHECK HERE IF ADDITIONAL OPTIONS/ACCESSORIES ARE LISTED ON CMS 854

SECTION D Physician Attestation and Signature/Date

I certify that I am the treating physician identified in Section A of this form. I have received Sections A, B and C of the Certificate of Medical Necessity (including

charges for items ordered). Any statement on my letterhead attached hereto, has been reviewed and signed by me. I certify that the medical necessity information in Section B is true, accurate and complete, to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that any falsification, omission, or concealment of material fact in that

section may subject me to civil or criminal liability.

PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE DATE / / (SIGNATURE AND DATE STAMPS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE)
CMS 844 (05/97)

SECTION A: (May be completed by the supplier)

CERTIFICATION If this is an initial certification for this patient, indicate this by placing date (MM/DD/YY) needed initially in the space marked

TYPE/DATE: "INITIAL." If this is a revised certification (to be completed when the physician changes the order, based on the patient's changing clinical needs), indicate the initial date needed in the space marked "INITIAL," and also indicate the recertification

date in the space marked "REVISED." If this is a recertification, indicate the initial date needed in the space marked

"INITIAL," and also indicate the recertification date in the space marked

"RECERTIFICATION." Whether submitting a

REVISED or a RECERTIFIED CMN, be sure to always furnish the INITIAL date as well as the REVISED or

RECERTIFICATION date.

PATIENT Indicate the patient's name, permanent legal address, telephone number and his/her health insurance claim number (HICN)

INFORMATION: as it appears on his/her Medicare card and on the claim form.

SUPPLIER Indicate the name of your company (supplier name), address and telephone number along with the Medicare Supplier

INFORMATION: Number assigned to you by the National Supplier Clearinghouse (NSC).

PLACE OF SERVICE: Indicate the place in which the item is being used; i.e., patient's home is 12, skilled nursing facility (SNF) is 31, End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) facility is 65, etc. Refer to the DMERC supplier manual for a complete list.

FACILITY NAME: If the place of service is a facility, indicate the name and complete address of the facility.

HCPCS CODES: List all HCPCS procedure codes for items ordered that require a CMN. Procedure codes that do not require certification should not be listed on the CMN.

PATIENT DOB, HEIGHT, Indicate patient's date of birth (MM/DD/YY) and sex (male or female); height in inches and weight in pounds, if requested.

WEIGHT AND SEX:

PHYSICIAN NAME, Indicate the physician's name and complete mailing address.
ADDRESS:

UPIN: Accurately indicate the ordering physician's Unique Physician Identification Number (UPIN).

PHYSICIAN'S Indicate the telephone number where the physician can be contacted (preferably where records would be accessible

TELEPHONE NO: pertaining to this patient) if more information is needed.

SECTION B: (May not be completed by the supplier. While this section may be completed by a non-physician clinician, or a physician employee, it must be reviewed, and the CMN signed (in Section D) by the ordering physician.)

EST. LENGTH OF NEED: Indicate the estimated length of need (the length of time the physician expects the patient to require use of the ordered item) by filling in the appropriate number of months. If the physician expects that the patient will require the item for the duration of his/her life, then enter 99.

DIAGNOSIS CODES: In the first space, list the ICD9 code that represents the primary reason for ordering this item. List any additional ICD9 codes that would further describe the medical need for the item (up to 3 codes).

QUESTION SECTION: This section is used to gather clinical information to determine medical necessity. Answer each question which applies to the items ordered, circling "Y" for yes, "N" for no, "D" for does not apply, a number if this is offered as an answer option, or fill in the blank if other information is requested.

NAME OF PERSON If a clinical professional other than the ordering physician (e.g., home health nurse, physical therapist, dietician),

ANSWERING SECTION B or a physician employee answers the questions of Section B, he/she must print his/her name, give his/her professional title

QUESTIONS: and the name of his/her employer where indicated. If the physician is answering the questions, this space may be left blank.

SECTION C: (To be completed by the supplier)

NARRATIVE Supplier gives (1) a narrative description of the item(s) ordered, as well as all options, accessories, supplies and drugs;

DESCRIPTION OF (2) the supplier's charge for each item, option, accessory, supply and drug; and (3) the Medicare fee schedule allowance for

EQUIPMENT & COST: each item/option/accessory/supply/drug, if applicable.

SECTION D: (To be completed by the physician)

PHYSICIAN The physician's signature certifies (1) the CMN which he/she is reviewing includes Sections A, B, C and D; (2) the answers ATTESTATION: in Section B are correct; and (3) the self-identifying information in Section A is correct.

PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE After completion and/or review by the physician of Sections A, B and C, the physician must sign and date the CMN in AND DATE: Section D, verifying the Attestation appearing in this Section. The physician's signature also certifies the items ordered are

medically necessary for this patient. Signature and date stamps are not acceptable.

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